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S/039/0027

### Inspection Report

#### Minerals Regulatory Program

Date May 24, 2010

Reviewed:

<b>Mine Name:</b> Todd Wilhite – Mt. Pleasant	<b>Permit Number:</b> S/039/0027
<b>Operator Name:</b> Todd Wilhite	<b>Inspection Date:</b> April 15, 2010
<b>Inspector(s):</b> John Rogers and Paul Baker	<b>Time:</b> 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM
<b>Other Participants:</b> none	<b>Mine Status:</b> active

Elements of Inspection	Evaluated	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Revisions, Transfer, Bonds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Public Safety (shafts, adits, trash, signs, highwalls)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. Protection of Drainages / Erosion Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Deleterious Material	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Roads (maintenance, surfacing, dust control, safety)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Reclamation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Backfilling/Grading (trenches, pits, roads, highwalls, shafts)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Soils	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Revegetation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Bond Amount:** \$0.00 - no permit

**Purpose of Inspection:** The Division had been notified that Todd Wilhite was operating a stone quarry East of Mt. Pleasant with out a mining permit. The purpose of the inspection was to verify this and if confirmed, write a cessation order (CO)

#### Inspection Summary:

There was an operating stone quarry with a GPS area of 17 acres. It was GPS during the inspection. After about an hour, a driver show up to pick up stone. It was confirmed with him that the quarry was being operated by Todd Wilhite. He telephoned Mr. Wilhite and informed him of our presence and the CO. We did not talk to Mr. Wilhite. A cessation order (MC2010-41-1) was given to the driver, but he refuse to sign it.

The quarry comprised several small (15– 50 ft diameter) exploration pits and trenches 3 – 5 feet deep scattered across the area searching for landscape rock (2-3 ft. in diameter). There was no central pit. The equipment on site consisted of two large track hoes and a front-end loader. There was trash and deleterious material scattered about the area. Pictures were taken (4/15/2010) to document the current conditions.

#### Conclusions and Recommendations:

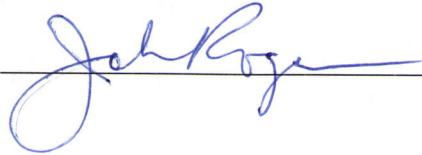
Mr. Wilhite must immediately stopped mining and either get:

1. - An approved mining permit with a surety bond and reclamation contract, OR
2. - Begin reclamation immediately of the area and post a \$5000 bond for the revegetation of the area.

He will be given until May 15, 2010 to comply with CO.

**Secondary Note:** A follow up inspection on May 3, 2010 showed that the area had been almost completely regraded. Pictures were taken (5/3/2010) to document the reclamation process. Therefore, with the positive effort by Mr. Wilhite, he was given an extension until June 8, 2010 to post his revegetation bond of \$5000 bond OR get an approved mining permit, surety bond and reclamation contract so that he may continue mining.

**Inspector's Signature**

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Todd Wilhite – operator

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Mining operations



Disturbance



Front end loader / disturbance



Disturbance





Track hoe / disturbance



Disturbance



Disturbance



Trash / batteries on ground





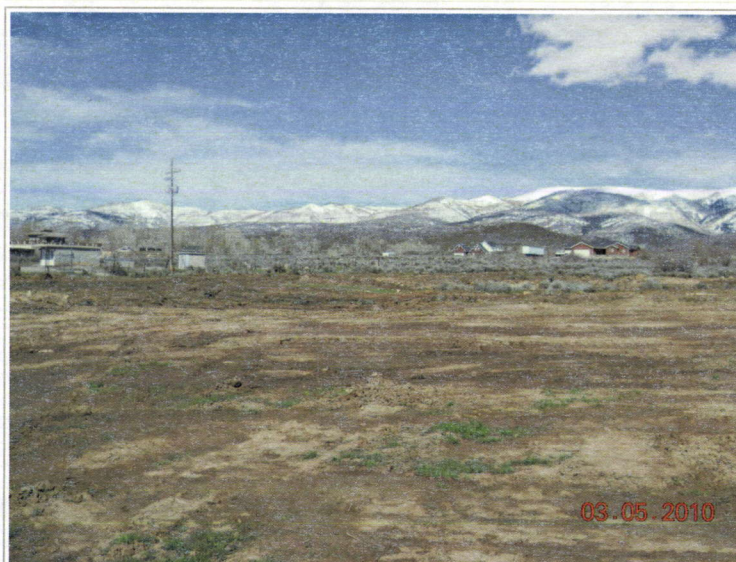
Track hoe / mining



Regraded surface 3/5/2010



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Regraded surface 3/5/2010





Sloping portal for Goldfield mine



Goldfield pad



Road to Goldfield blocked by Forest Service



Goldfield mine dump